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SUBJ: VISIT DIRECTOR WOMEN'S BUREAU

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1. LABATT ON MARCH 11 OFFICIALLY INFORMED LABOR SECRETARY BLAS OPLE OF MAYMI VISIT APRIL 17 - 23. HE EXPRESSED PLEASURE HER TRIP TO ASIA NOW INCLUDES PHILIPPINES. EMBASSY, USIS, AND AAFLI WILL ALL BE COOPERATING ON MAYMI PROGRAM TO ASSURE BEST POSSIBLE EXPOSURE. INITIAL CONTACTS WITH WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS, WOMEN TRADE UNION LEADERS, AND DIRECTOR OF WOMEN AND MINORS BUREAU (LUCINA ALDAY) SHOW THERE IS CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN VISIT.

2. ALTHOUGH MORE DETAILED PROGRAM SCHEDULED WILL BE SUBMITTED BEFORE MAYMI DEPARTURE FOR JAPAN VISIT APRIL 9 - 17, FOLLOWING EVENTS CAN ALREADY BE TENTATIVELY FLAGGED:

A. PARTICIPATION TOGETHER WITH LABOR SECRETARY IN APRIL 21 OPENING CEREMONY FOR AAFLI'S TRADE UNION LEADERSHIP FOR WOMEN SEMINAR, B. MEETING WITH SELECT GROUP WOMEN LEADERS AT USIS THOMAS JEFFERSON CULTURAL CENTER, C. REQUESTED PRESS CONFERENCE (REFTEL), AND D. ADDRESS AT POSSIBLE GATHERING OF NATIONAL WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS (IWY-RELATED) AT MAHARLIKA HALL, PRESIDENT'S PALACE.

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3. WITH REFERENCE OTHER SPECIFIC QUESTIONS RAISED REFTEL:

(1) DOUBLE ROOM RESERVED AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL, (2) VISIT TO TRADE UNION AND/OR OTHER DAY CARE CENTER WILL BE ARRANGED, (3) SUGGEST MS. MAYMI CONTACT AAFLI HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON FOR BRIEFING ON AAFLI AND PROPOSED SEMINAR (NOTE: BOTH AAFLI REGIONAL DIRECTOR JACK GOODWYN AND PHILIPPINES COUNTRY DIRECTOR KEN HUTCHISON FROM MANILA CURRENTLY IN WASHINGTON), (4) LABATT EILER R. COOK WILL BE COORDINATING VISIT AND WILL MEET AT AIRPORT (LETTER FOLLOWS), AND (5) AS NOTED MANILA 2473, POST PREPARED PAY COST DIVERSIONARY TRAVEL AND PER DIEM -- DETAILS ON FISCAL DATA TO FOLLOW.

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